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THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" Sir, I did not make any such promise except to state that it will be considered. On account of financial difficulties due to drought and other conditions we have not been able to implement them so far. These are very costly schemes. For instance, the four Mobile Medical Units will cost Rs. 77,600 recurring expenditure and Rs. 1,03,200 non-recurring expenditure."

Construction of a road from Mukkam to Arikkode.

* 391 Q.—SRI K. P. GOPALAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Local Administration be pleased to state whether there is a proposal to construct a road from Mukkam in Kozhikode taluk, Malabar, to Arikkode in Ernad taluk? 9-30 a.m.

THE HON. SRI K. RAJARAM :—" No, Sir."

SRI K. P. GOPALAN :—" May I know from the Hon. Minister whether, in view of the fact that the road will be very useful for trade and purposes of communication, the Government will be pleased to consider the proposal? "

THE HON. SRI K. RAJARAM :—" It may be useful, Sir. If the proposal comes from the District Board, the Government will consider it."

SRI KUNHI MOHAMED SHAFEE :—" In view of the fact that there is already an old abandoned road in existence from Mukkam to Arikkode and that it can be repaired at a very comparitively low cost, may I know whether the Government will consider the necessity of repairing the road as soon as possible? "

THE HON. SRI K. RAJARAM :—" Yes Sir, there is already a road up to Mukkam. If the District Board sends up a proposal to the Government to extend it, it will be considered."

The Ayurvedic dispensary at Karivallur, North Malabar.

* 392 Q.—SRI K. P. GOPALAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state the amount of money that the Government have allotted for the Rural Ayurvedic dispensary at Karivallur, North Malabar, yearly and the number of patients attending this dispensary daily?

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" The Ayurvedic dispensary at Karivallur is not one subsidised by the Government. The daily average attendance of the patients treated at the dispensary is 4 and 11 for the years 1952 and 1953, respectively."

SRI K. P. GOPALAN :—" May I know from the Hon. Minister when this Ayurvedic dispensary at Karivallur was opened, when the doctor for this dispensary was appointed, when Ayurvedic medicines for distribution to the patients reached the dispensary and when the doctor began to give treatment? "

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" I have not got all those particulars. I understand that the medical officer joined duty on 10th December 1952."